

Action by Missouri Clean Water Commission

Date of Action: January 4, 2006

Water Body Under Evaluation:

WBID Number: 1711 (Directly upstream of WBID 1710)
Classification: C
Name of Water Body: River Des Peres
Length of Segment: 1.0 mile
County (ies): St. Louis City

Review Committee Recommendation (July 2005):

☐ Retain Use ☐ Modify Use ☐ Remove Use ☒ Inconclusive

The UAA Review Committee determined the UAA to be inconclusive, based on insufficient information regarding bacteria speciation between anthropogenic and natural sources (Criterion #1), the effect of the non-remedial human caused condition on the river's recreational uses (Criterion #3), and the specific scope of substantial, widespread social and economic impacts if full treatment was required (Criterion #6). The committee recommended that further study be conducted to support the basis of these findings.

http://www.dnr.mo.gov/env/wpp/wqstandards/uaa/1711_river_des_peres_rcr.pdf.

The Commission Action (September 2005):

☐ Retain Use ☐ Modify Use ☒ Remove Use ☐ Inconclusive

The commission voted to remove the WBC recreation use designation for River des Peres in St. Louis City from Gravois Creek upstream to Morgan Ford Road. Reasons for the removal include the general condition of the stream due to channelization and effects of urbanization.

<http://www.dnr.mo.gov/env/wpp/cwc/cwc-m-090705.pdf>.

Review Committee Recommendation after considering Public Comments (December 2005):

☐ Retain Use ☐ Modify Use ☐ Remove Use ☒ Inconclusive

Based on the comments received, the UAA review committee found this segment of the river did not meet the average depth requirements to attain whole body contact recreational activities. However, one comment provided additional measurements that met the average depth requirement from I-55 downstream. As stated in the committee's initial recommendation, a reasonable chance exists for supporting a use removal through one or more of the other UAA criteria. The committee again recommends further study be conducted to confirm or deny the applicability of the other criteria before an affirmative decision on the attainability of WBCR.

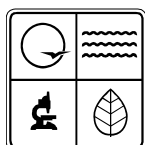
<http://www.dnr.mo.gov/env/wpp/wqstandards/uaa/1711-river-des-peres-rcr-12-05.pdf>.

Commission Action (January 2006):

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The commission directed further investigation on River des Peres through discussion with Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District for the purpose of evaluating all criteria in the UAA protocol.

<http://www.dnr.mo.gov/env/wpp/cwc/cwc-m-010406.pdf>.



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